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Honeoye Falls, N. Y.



Spring is Just Around the Corner

January, 1929

Dear Friend:

The winter holidays are over and again it is time to plan and prepare for a new season. The days will pass swiftly and sooner than we realize, our plows will be turning up fresh earth and another seed time will be at hand.

The varieties of the different crops we grow, should be as up-to-date as the tools we use. Just as modern farm machines, tractors and trucks speed up our work, save labor and lower costs, so also do the present day improved varieties of crops enable us to produce at lower cost, greater profit and also with more satisfaction.

At Quaker Hill Farm we grow and handle certified seeds of the modern strains of field crops. It has paid us well and hundreds of our customers all over the North Eastern States, to use these labor saving, profit making seeds. If you would have the latest and best in farm seeds for 1929, read the following pages.

And Planting Time Will Soon Be Here



Better Seeds

Make Better Crops

K. C. LIVERMORE



HONEOUE FALLS, N. U.

UPRIGHT OATS

If your oats lodged last year as did thousands of If your oats lodged last year as did thousands of fields, you should use our Certified Upright oat this year. It outstands all others and is unquestionably the oat to use wherever lodging might occur. Not only is the straw very strong but it is also tall, yielding an abundance of good bedding material. Upright ranks among the six highest yielding oats in the N. Y. State College tests. The grain is large and white. This is the safest and most satisfactory oat to use on strong ground. Our Upright seed all comes from certified fields that were as clean as could be and the seed is tip top in every way.

Experiments and experience have proved that better average yields are obtained from a mixture of oats and barley, or of peas, oats and barley, than from any one alone — provided the varieties mixed ripen together. Some and Alpha barley normally ripen together. Both being high yielders, the mixture is ideal. Upright, the stiff straw oat, while a few days lodging.

The addition of Quaker Hill Selected Peas is recommended where soil and climate are favorable. It improves the feeding value of the crop whether fed

CORNELLIAN OATS

We consider Cornellian the best oat where there is no serious danger of lodging. It has ranked consistently at or very near the top of the list in New York and Pennsylvania yield tests. Because it is very thin hulled, its percentage of kernel is higher and its yield of actual feed has been higher than that of any other oat now on the market. The straw is as good as or better than that of most oats but not as good as that of Upright. The grain is small, slim and dark gray in color. It is not at all attractive, in fact, is just the opposite in appearance from what is ordinarily considered good looking oats, but it has the feed value and that is what counts most. Forty pounds per struck bushel is the usual weight right from the thresher.

Our Cornellian seed is certified, which means the best in purity, weed and disease freedom and germination.

Pro the best results the seeds should be grown separately, cleaned and graded separately and then mixed in the proper proportion for sowing. That is the method used a Quaker Hill Sarm. A power menthod used a Quaker Hill Sarm. A power loss in the method used a Quaker Hill Sarm. A power loss in the method used a Quaker Hill Sarm. A power loss in the method used a Quaker Hill Sarm. A power loss in the method used a Quaker Hill Sarm. A power loss in the method used a Quaker Hill Sarm. A power loss in an acre is put i

An artificial cross between a six-row and a two-row barley produced Alpha, a long headed, big kernelled hybrid. All points considered, it seems to be the best barley for the North Eastern States and so it is the only barley we offer. It had the highest average yield, 42.9 bushels, for the last seven years, in the N. Y. State College test. It has the best straw of any barley we have ever seen. When drouth shortens other varieties so that they can be cut only with a mower, Alpha will be tall enough to bind. Under favorable conditions it grows shoulder high without lodging and 60 bushel yields are quite frequent.

Probably all of the beardless or smooth bearded barleys have been tested beside Alpha but none of them has equalled Alpha. Their yields have been from two to twelve bushels less.

Weather conditions were not favorable for barley last season, but most of our fields were harvested in fine condition and we are sure our certified Alpha seed will equal any other available.

SWEET CLOVER

This plant is being used more and more for green manuring purposes. Seeded in a small grain crop in the spring and plowed under the following spring, it supplies a large amount of humus and considerable nitrogen without extra labor, without loss of land use and with but little expense. It is also seeded alone after other crops and often it is allowed to grow thru a season, making a still larger samount of humus to turn under.

Sweet clover is used successfully for pasture in footation, but only a little for hay.

Dust Mixers and Dust Materials

At Quaker Hill Farm we have dusted potatoes An artificial cross between a six-row and a

QUAKER HILL SELECTED FIELD PEAS

"Pigs is pigs" perhaps, but there are differences between field peas even where they are all listed in the catalogs as Canada field peas. During the last three years we have been testing different varieties for yield and time of maturity and know which are better for eastern conditions, especially when planted with oats and barley for feeding purposes.

In recent years field peas in the eastern section have been severely damaged or completely destroyed by a group of fungus diseases known as Ascocyhta spp. Investigations by the Geneva Experiment Station have shown that these organisms are carried on or in a large proportion of the field pea seed on the market. A small percentage of infection may spread so much as to destroy all the peas in a field. On account of this, we have every lot of peas tested for disease infection.

As a result of these precautions, the peas offered

disease infection.

As a result of these precautions, the peas offered as "Quaker Hill Selected" are high yielding varieties which normally ripen at the same time as Cornellian Oats and Alpha Barley, and are lots that are free from Ascocyhta spp. infection. Planting peas of unknown variety and untested disease infection is a foslish earthle.

GRAIN MIXTURES

Experiments and experience have proved that

improves the feeding value of the crop whether fed green or as grain.

For the best results the seeds should be grown

At Quaker Hill Farm we have dusted potatoes at Quaker Hill Farm we have dusted potatoes instead of spraying, to control insects and blight, since 1921. Results have been satisfactory. For two seasons we tested spraying against dusting, under equal conditions. Control and yields were the same. We find dusting nearly twice as fast as spraying even when everything is conveniently arranged for spraying. The only disconveniently arranged for spraying. The only disadvantage was the cost of the materials, until we began home mixing, four

See Prices on Order Sheet at Right

The field pea crop was very light and our supply of selected seed is limited. Better order early. Our car-lot prices on potatoes will interest you. Ask for special prices on larger lots than listed.

CERTIFIED SEED POTATOES

Seed potato prices are low enough this year so that most everybody can afford to use good seed. In fact, no potato grower can afford not to, because without good seed no one can hope to keep cost per bushel below the normal price of potatoes and have a profit. The potato program should be:—Better seed, better culture and fewer acres. This would mean efficient production, adequate supply and fair prices—a sound basis for prosperity for any industry.

Just what constitutes good seed should be understood. Looks are not so important as freedom from diseases. The finest looking seed potatoes may carry enough leaf roll, mosaic, spindle tuber, yellow dwarf, wilt, black leg or other diseases to make a profitable crop impossible. On the other hand rough, misshapen, oversize, or even "pee wee" potatoes are capable of producing 400 bushels per acre, if they are from plants that were free or practically free from the diseases just mentioned. Seed from plants affected with these diseases, will produce plants with the same diseases. The diseases cannot be detected in the seed and no treatment has yet been found to control them. They spread from plant to plant, roughly doubling each year, always getting worse and cutting yields lower and lower.

So the first fact to know about seed potatoes is how much disease was present in the crop from which they came. And the place to look for it is on the official tag attached to bags of genuine certified seed potatoes. This tag guarantees that the seed is from a field that was inspected by disease experts and found free or practically free from these diseases. The experts usually are State College or government men who are in no way beholden to the grower and whose reports therefor can be relied upon. Their reports and the standards for certification are open to the public. Any one may secure copies of them. Thus, genuine certification tags are assurance of good seed to the buyer. Unfortunately "boot-leg" practices occur in the seed potato trade and buyers should learn to distinguish between genuine certification and other kinds.

Our supplies of certified seed potatoes are the best we have ever had. Brief descriptions follow.

IRISH COBBLERS

This is the best early potato. Tho not quite so early as some it is a better yielder and better market type. It matures in about 90 days and brings in cash in midsummer. Prospects seem to be for better prices for early potatoes this year.

We are convinced that better Cobbler seed is produced on Prince Edward Island out in the St. Lawrence Gulf, than we can raise here. Therefore our supply is all imported from that place. Connections have been established so that we are able to secure stock from the best strains and from fields that are as near disease free as can be reasonably hoped for. Last season our Prince Edward certified Cobblers yielded 423 bushels per acre at Clymer, Pa. in a farm bureau test. This was 19 bushels better than Maine seed. On muck land here in Western New York our Cobblers made 500 bushels or better in several instances. They are money makers and the returns t

RURALS

The strains formerly called Rural New Yorker, Sir Walter Raleigh, Carmen No. 3, Heavyweight, No. Nine, and several others are now all classed as Smooth Rurals or White Rurals in distinction from Russet Rurals. We refer to them as Rurals and Russets. They are the best late varieties for most of Pennsylvania, Western New York, parts of Ohio and Michigan. Both are so constituted that they can go thru a period of drouth better than other varieties. Some markets prefer the Rurals and discriminate against the Russets. This should be considered in choosing a variety.

grown most extensively however as a late crop in sections with short growing season and the cool, moist conditions under which it does best. Our Green Mountain seed also comes from Prince Edward Island and is exceptionally fine.

Our Rurals are from an exceptionally

good strain of Heavyweights and were all

grown here. They are certified of course.

RUSSETS

This variety goes under the names Russet Rural, Golden Russet, Late Petoskey and Dibble's Russet. It is a late maturing

deep rooted, strong vined potato of marked

vigor and wide adaptation. Under adverse

conditions of soil or season it will do better

than most other varieties. Under favorable

conditions it makes enormous yields. Four

hundred and five hundred bushel yields are

becoming frequent and in the Pennsylvania

400 bushel Club contests yields of over 600

bushels and almost 700, have been secured.

This variety is very resistant to scab and

seems to be less subject to blight rot. Type

fied Russets. Our own Russets are even

better than usual and will give a good account of themselves wherever grown in

1929. Our Michigan grown certified Rus-

sets come from the northern sections and

from fields which we personally looked

thru during the growing season. They are

GREEN MOUNTAINS

after Cobblers when planted early. It is

This is a mid season variety coming in

We offer New York and Michigan certi-

and eating quality are fine.

the pick of many fields.

Grades and Sizes. The Canadian Cobblers and Mountains and Michigan Russets are graded U. S. No. 1, 17/8 in. minimum. The New York Rurals and Russets are graded U. S. No. 1, 11/16 in. minimum and U. S. No. 1, 13/8 in. to 111/16 in.. The first size includes potatoes down to 2 ounces, all large enough to cut once or more. The second size includes potatoes of 1to 13/4 ounces, just right for planting whole, without waste and without trouble in the planter. Prices of the two sizes are the same.

SEED CORN

We offer three varieties of corn which meet the requirements of practically all sections in the North Eastern States. (1) West Branch Sweepstakes for

mature, it requires ...

Our West Branch Sweepstakes is guaranteed true to name. The stock seed came from selected ears individually tested to eliminate all showing any trace of corn diseases. The crop is of finest quality in every respect. Germination on all lots will crowd the 100% mark this year. We had one field inspected and certified. The other fields were not inspected hut were grown from the same seed.

Success with beans depends more upon the use of disease resistant varieties than any other factor. A few such varieties are now in use and more are being developed by selection and artificial crossing. We offer the following.

CORNELL NO. 11

This is an early maturing, heavy yielding strain of Pride of the North developed by Plant breeders at N. Y. State College of Agriculture. It matures in 100 to 120 days depending on temperatures. It has very consistently ranked high in yield tests for grain. Its silage yield averages around 13 tons per acre but it carries a ton to a ton and a quarter of grain per acre in the silage. This gives the silage an unusually high feed value.

The Quaker Hill strain of Cornell No. 11 has been developed thru eight years of selection. It is

The Quaker Hill strain of Cornell No. 11 has been developed thru eight years of selection. It is slightly earlier than most of the strains and a little more uniform than some. Our stock seed was field selected and ear tested. The crop is of excellent quality. Germination of 90% or better is guaranteed. One field was inspected and certified. The others were not inspected but were planted with the same seed.

mailed in January and one percent discount on orders mailed in February if accompanied by full payment.

If you care to list the names and addresses of 10 progressive farmers in your neighborhood on the back of the order sheet and send it in this

QUAKER HILL DANISH CABBAGE

requirements of practically all sections in the North Eastern States. (1) West Branch Sweepstakes for husking where the growing season is long and summer temperatures high; and for silage wherever a big corn is necessary. (2) Cornell No. 11 for husking where seasons average less than 150 days between spring and fall frosts, or at elevation under 1000 feet; and for silage where a high feed value is desired more than just tonnage. (3) Early Flints for husking where the seasons average less than 150 days between killing frosts or elevations are over 1000 feet.

WEST BRANCH SWEEPSTAKES

Of the big varieties yielding 16 to 20 tons of silage per acre in the N. Y. State College tests, West Branch Sweepstakes has produced the most grain in the silage. It is the product of a recent cross and is exceptionally vigorous in growth. To mature, it requires 110 to 130 days depending on temperatures.

Our West Branch Sweepstakes is guaranteed true

PERRY MARROW

ROBUST PEA BEANS

Michigan plant breeders developed Robust by selection methods. It is practically immune to mosaic disease, very resistant to anthracnose and usually escapes blight. Robust is a small pea bean of desirable market type.

EARLY FLINTS

Or desirable market type.

Yields usually range from 25 to 30 bushels but over 40 bushels have been harvested. We have one of the latest selections put out by the Michigan breeders. Our seed is certified.

Six of the best flint corns we could locate in New York and New England were grown here in test plots this year in cooperation with the Cornell Plant Breeding Dept. Results from this and future tests will show us which one to continue with.

For this year we have certified seed from two of these high yielding, early maturing flints to offer. Angel of Midnight is an 8 row yellow flint developed in the hill country of Central New York. Sheffield also is an eight row yellow flint, developed in the Berkshire Mountain section of Western Massachusetts. Both can be relied upon to mature wherever husking corn is grown in the North Eastern States.

MELLS RED KIDNEY

A Western New York farmer discovered the Wells Red Kidney bean. It is very resistant to anthracoose, quite resistant to mosaic but unfortunately severy susceptible to blight. In recent years weather conditions have favored blight and results with this variety have not been so good. At the Geneva Experiment Station, it has been found that Wells Red Kidney sually escapes blight if fertilized more heavily, especially with a fertilizer fairly strong in nitrogen, and if planted not earlier than June 15th to 20th Wells is a good yielder when it escapes blight.

Two percent discount will be allowed on orders ited in January and one percent discount on percent discount or description. Our seed is second crop from certified seed, not having been inspected in '28 or '27. Purity, germination, etc., are good.

NEW BEAN VARIETIES

We have been increasing and expect to have a month with full payment for an order of \$20.00 surplus for sale next year of the New Geneva Red or more you may deduct \$1.00 in addition to the Kidney, York Red Kidney and Geneva White Kidney beans. They promise much.



MODERN IMPROVED STRAINS OF OUR COMMON CROPS REDUCE COSTS AND INCREASE PROFITS



JANUARY 15th, 1929

Prices. The prices listed below are for spring delivery. Cabbage seed prices are with postage paid. All other prices are f.o.b. shipping points, bags free. Approximate freight rates per bushel to most points in New York and adjacent states are:—potatoes, beans, peas 8c to 24c; oats 5c to 12c; barley 7c to 18c; corn 8c to 20c. Delivered prices will be quoted if requested. Special prices will be quoted on larger quantities than listed. Prices are subject to change; if lower when your order is received, the difference will be refunded; if higher you will be notified and may reduce the order, pay difference or cancel order and have payment returned.

Time of Shipment. Potatoes will be shipped as nearly as possible on dates requested but orders of less than 170 bus, can not be shipped until freezing danger is over, usually about April 1st. Shipment of other seeds will begin about March 1st and thereafter will be made as promptly as possible after orders are received, usually within 24 hours.

Guarantees. We guarantee safe arrival and satisfactory condition of seed. Any shortage or damage should be noted on freight receipt by agent before you accept it and reported to us at once. If for any other reason the seed is not satisfactory notify us as soon as possible after its arrival. We will replace if possible, or refund if you prefer. We aim to give complete satisfaction.

K. C. Livermore, Honeoye Falls, N. Y.	1929	
Dear Friend— I wish to order the following:—		
bags 2½ bu. IRISH COBBLERS, Canadian certified @ \$ (40 bags or more \$3.75, 4 or more \$4.00, less than 4, \$4.25	5, bu. \$2.00)	\$
bags 2½ bu. GREEN MOUNTAINS, Canadian certified @ \$ (40 bags or more \$3.75, 4 or more \$4.00, less than 4, \$		
bags 2 bu. RURALS, N. Y. certified @ \$		
bags 2 bu. RUSSETS, N. Y. certified @ \$		
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bags 3 bu. CORNELLIAN OATS, certified @ \$	30)	\$
bags 3 bu. UPRIGHT OATS, certified @ \$ (20 bags or more \$3.00, 5 or more \$3.15, less than 5, \$3.30, bu. \$1.60)		
bags 2½ bu. ALPHA BARLEY, certified @ \$		
bags 2 bu. FIELD PEAS, Quaker Hill Selected @ \$		
bags 2½ bu. OATS, (40 lb.) & BARLEY (60 lbs.) MIXTURE @ \$		
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bu. PERRY MARROW BEANS, certified @ \$		\$
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lbs. QUAKER HILL DANISH CABBAGE @ \$		\$
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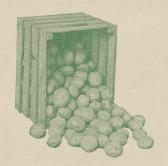




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